



## Where is the God of Elijah? Sunday June 15, 2008

2 Kings 2:1-15

Elisha's Calling

**1 Kings 19:15-16**

**15** GOD said, "Go back the way you came through the desert to Damascus. When you get there anoint Hazael; make him king over Aram.

**16** Then anoint Jehu son of Nimshi; make him king over Israel. Finally, anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet.

**1 Kings 19:19-21**

**19** So he departed from there, and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen before him, and he was with the twelfth. Then Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle on him.

**20** And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah, and said, "Please let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." And he said to him, "Go back again, for what have I done to you?"

**21** So Elisha turned back from him, and took a yoke of oxen and slaughtered them and boiled their flesh, using the oxen's equipment, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

The Final Journey : Gilgal, Bethel, Jericho, Jordan

### ***A Hunger for More of God***

**2 Kings 2:9**

And so it was, when they had crossed over, that Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask! What may I do for you, before I am taken away from you?" Elisha said, "Please let a double portion of your spirit be upon me."

What kind of a generation will we be? Will we be a generation that says "God I want twice as much as what the prior generations experienced?"

What's keeping us from going after more of God?

- Wrong theology has robbed us of a current experience of God. Cessationists – God has stopped working miracles today! **Malachi 3:6 Hebrews 13:8**
- Passive Christianity – relegating to God what He has commissioned us to do.

**1 Corinthians 3:9**

- Lack of hunger - No more appetite for more of God. You cannot feed a man who feels full. Like the Laodicean church (Revelation 3:17)

**Revelation 3:17**

Because you say, 'I am rich, have become wealthy, and have need of nothing'—and do not know that you are wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked—

### ***The same mantle, but double anointing***

**2 Kings 2:13**

He also took up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood by the bank of the Jordan.

He got it! He stood in the same office of a prophet – but He had a double portion of God's Spirit. Twice as much of God!

It is possible today for us to walk in the same mantle of our forerunners – but with twice the anointing!



**John 14:12**

**He who believes in me, the works I do, he will also do and greater works because I go to the Father.**

There is provision to do "greater works" than what He did!

**John 3:34**

**For He whom God has sent speaks the words of God, for God does not give the Spirit by measure.**

***Mantles without miracles are useless***

**2 Kings 2:14**

**Then he took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, and said, "Where is the LORD God of Elijah?" And when he also had struck the water, it was divided this way and that; and Elisha crossed over.**

Standing in the same office of a prophet would mean nothing without a demonstration of the prophetic office.

We say we have the same faith as the Early Church, but we don't seem to have what the Early Church had!

Do you believe in the God of the Bible?

Then where is the God of the Bible in our churches?

Is God working in our midst the same way we see Him working in the Bible – in the book of Acts?

Where is the God of the Bible?

**1 Samuel 4:19-22**

**19 Now his daughter-in-law, Phinehas' wife, was with child, due to be delivered; and when she heard the news that the ark of God was captured, and that her father-in-law and her husband were dead, she bowed herself and gave birth, for her labor pains came upon her.**

**20 And about the time of her death the women who stood by her said to her, "Do not fear, for you have borne a son." But she did not answer, nor did she regard it.**

**21 Then she named the child Ichabod, saying, "The glory has departed from Israel!" because the ark of God had been captured and because of her father-in-law and her husband.**

**22 And she said, "The glory has departed from Israel, for the ark of God has been captured."**

Will we be a generation that cries out "God, bring back the glory!"?

It is our right as Christians, possessors of the New Covenant with God, to see everything that happened in the Scriptures happening in our own time. The Lord is the same today as He was then. His name is not "I was," or "I will be," but "I AM." The same Holy Spirit that was present with the church in the Book of Acts is present with us today. All Christians have the same Holy Spirit with them that the Early Church had and can therefore see the same power released through them that Paul or anyone else has.

God is looking for a people through whom He can be glorified on the earth today. He is looking for a people who will allow him to be God in their midst.



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